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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/678,603

Confirmation No. : 6147

Applicants : Eric B. Cummings

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Attorney Docket No.: 33531/US

Art Unit : 1753

Customer No. : 27,076

Examiner : Anthony D. Fick

Title : DIELECTROPHORESIS DEVICE AND METHOD HAVING INSULATING RIDGES
FOR MANIPULATING PARTICLES

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action dated October 26, 2005, and herewith petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for a 2-month extension of time for filing this response from January 26, 2006, to March 26, 2006. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$450 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

No Amendments to the Drawings: 10 replacement sheets including figures 1-10 begin on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

An Appendix including replacement figures is attached following page 11 of this paper.